

PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the Application of:

MARK ANDREW HARMER ET AL.

CASE NO.: CR9461 US DIV6

APPLICATION NO.: UNKNOWN

GROUP ART UNIT: 1621 (PARENT)

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EXAMINER: JAFAR F. PARSA  
(PARENT)

FOR: SOL-GEL DERIVED POROUS  
MICROCOMPOSITE OF  
PERFLUORINATED ION-EXCHANGE  
POLYMER AND METAL OXIDE

DATE: 7 October 2003

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**Introductory Comments**

Before examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows: